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SUBJECT: CSCE: INFORMATION -- INTRODUCTORY TEXT

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1. THE EC-9 NINE OF AN INTRODUCTORY TEXT FOR INFORMATION SECTIONS OF BASKET III (REFTEL) WAS REGARDED BY MANY NATO DELS AS BEING UNREALISTIC AND VERBOSE. IT HAS NOT BEEN SERIOUSLY CONSIDERED IN FORMAL OR INFORMAL DRAFTING SESSIONS AND NO PROGRAMS HAS BEEN MADE IN BILATERAL DUTCH-SOVIET DISCUSSIONS. NOW THAT THE TIME APPROACHES WHEN IT MUST BE NEGOTIATED, AND IT ASSUMES MORE IMPORTANCE IN ITS RELATION TO THE SUBSEQUENT TEXT ON BROADCAST INFORMATION (SPETEL), UK HAS PROPOSED A NEW VERSION WITHIN NATO CAUCUS, DRAWING HEAVILY ON LANGUAGE OF HELSINKI BLUE BOOK. TEXT TRANSMITTED BELOW.

2. THE WORDS "FULLEST POSSIBLE" IN THE SECOND PARA WILL PROBABLY BE DELETED DURING CAUCUS DISCUSSION, AND THERE MAY BE OTHER MINOR CHANGES. WE PLAN TO SUGGEST THAT IN THE FINAL SENTENCE "ARE RESOLVED" BE CHANGED TO "EXPRESS
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THEIR INTENTION". IF OUR SUGGESTION'S ACCEPTED AND NO

MAJOR CHANGES ARE INTRODUCED WE PLAN TO ACCEPT IT AT
NATO CAUCUS FEB 5. IT WILL THEN BE INTRODUCED INTO FULL
CSCE NEGOTIATIONS ALMOST IMMEDIATELY. THE SOVIETS KNOW
OF ITS EXISTANCE BUT HAVE NOT, WE BELIEVE SEEN A COPY.

3. BEGIN TEXT: THE PARTICIPATING STATES,
--CONVINCED THAT THE FREER AND WIDER DISSEMINATION OF
INFORMATION OF ALL KINDS IS AN ESSENTIAL ELEMENT IN THE
STRENGTHENING OF MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN PEOPLES AND
INDIVIDUALS,
---CONCERNED TO ENSURE THE AVAILABILITY TO THEIR CITIZENS
OF THE FULLEST POSSIBLE INFORMATION ABOUT THE OTHER PARTI-
CIPATING STATES,
--- RECOGNISING THE IMPORTANCE IN THIS RESPECT OF THE
ROLE OF THEPRESS, RADIO, TELEVISION AND CINEMA, AS WELL
AS OF THE JOURNALISTS WORKING IN THESE FIELDS,
-- ESTABLISH AS THEIR OBJECTIVE
- THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE CIRCULATION OF, AND
ACCESS TO, ORAL, PRINTED, FILMED AND BROADCAST
INFORMATION FROM THE OTHER PARTICIPATING STATES;
-THE DEVELOPMENT OF EXCHANGES AND CO-OPERATION IN THE
THE FIELD OF INFORMATION;
-THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE CONDITIONS UNDER
WHICH JOURNALISTS FROM ONE PARTICIPATIN STATE
EXERCISE THEIR PROFESSION IN ANOTHER PARTICIPATING
STATE.
--TO THESE ENDS THEY ARE RESOLVED TO APPLY IN PARTICULAR
THE FOLLOWING: END TEXT.DALE

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